

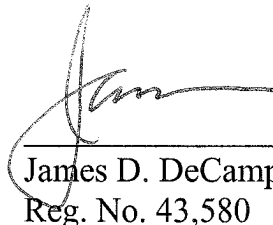
## REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that this amendment be entered by the Examiner. Applicants submit that the cancellation of claims 72-75 and 83 does not raise any new issues or necessitate the undertaking of any additional search of the art by the Examiner. Applicants also note that these amendments have been made solely to advance prosecution, and applicants reserve the right to prosecute any canceled subject matter in this or a related application.

Enclosed is a Petition to extend the period for filing an Appeal Brief two additional months, from May 1, 2006 to and including July 1, 2006. If there are any additional charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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